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The day died out in dreariness and dread,
Grim shadows crept through hall and corridor,
While fading fire-light lurid flickering shed
Athwart the panelled walls and oaken floor.
Around the cheerless hearth the children pressed,
Pale, patient, brooding o'er the dreaded morrow
Like half-fledged birds forsaken in the nest,
Too cowed to weep, too dulled with gloom and sorrow.
Upon the wall the treasured portrait hung,
That well-remembered smile forever gone,
That pure white neck round which their arms had clung,
Those lips once warm with kiss and benison.
At every fancied footfall, white with fear,
The children started, trembled, glanced around,
Gazed in each other's eyes and seemed to hear
The stranger's voice in every passing sound.
How will she come? with frown, or baleful smile
Yet fearfuller, to greet the shrinking throng?
How look, how speak? Why tarries she meanwhile,
Thus wantonly their torture to prolong?
At last she comes. Hush, hush, unwelcome guest,
Usurper of dead rites and dearest ties!
Ah, no! false fears; it is a vision blest—
An angel stands before their glistening eyes,
With such a smile as mild Madonnas wear,
Oh! such a look—so gracious and so meek!
The twilight glimmering round her golden hair,
And tears of tender pity on her cheek.
—[Harper's Bazar.

HERBERT'S FORTUNE.

Old Mr. Turnbull had a will of his own. No one disputed the fact, and possibly no one would have objected to it, had he acknowledged the right of anyone else to have a will of his own; but this he was by no means content to do, being of the opinion, it seemed, that he possessed the monopoly of the article.

Herbert Langley did not often go against his uncle's will, but when he did, then came the tug of war.

Mr. Turnbull had forbidden his nephew, under pain of his perpetual displeasure, which meant disinheritance and an end of all intercourse between them, even to dream of a marriage with Ethel Jarvis; and the young man had quietly informed him that the said marriage had ceased to be a matter of dreams, and was very soon to be a reality.

Consequently, open war was declared: Herbert was ordered to leave his uncle's house at a moment's notice, and Gertrude Roddy, the orphan daughter of a distant relative, was installed in his place with all rights, present and prospective.

Herbert had saved Ethel Jarvis' life, in a very heroic and praiseworthy manner, upon the occasion of a terrible boat disaster, and he had become from that moment the idol and hero of the young girl's heart.

As for himself, although he affected to think lightly of the deed, and turned aside all expressions of gratitude as uncalled for, yet he must have secretly placed a high value upon the boon to Mr. Turnbull as nese. Good evening, Miss Roddy. I shall be in early in the morning, and have given all necessary instructions for the night to your maid."

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"For whom are you in mourning, Linda?" asked Miss Gertrude Roddy, of her maid, as the latter braided the heavy masses of her lustrous black hair, and rolled it about her handsome head.

"For my father, madam."

"Has he been long dead?"

"No—oh no. It is only nine months since he died," the girl replied in a low voice.

"Nine months! Why, that is nearly a year! I had put off mourning for my father by that time!"

And the lady toyed with the rose ribbons of her dove-colored peignoir, and shook her head with a gentle sigh.

"I will wear my diamonds, Linda. Have you got them ready?"

"Yes, madam But you requested me to remind you to try the effect of the sapphires with this wine-colored velvet."

"Oh, yes; so i did. I think it will be charming."

"Shall I be admired, Linda? Will Colonel Raebun admire me, do you think?"

"He must bevery deficient in taste if he does not," the maid replied with a smile; "your la, madam."

"I think so myself," Gertrude answered, regarding herself in the mirror with undisguised approval. "Herbert Langley was certainly a very foolish young man, and quite blind to his own interests."

And with a shrug and a light laugh she turned andswept away.

Miss Roddy appreciated her new maid, and valued highly the improvement in her own apparance since Linda Lyle had had the seection and adjustment of her toilettes.

She was in the habit of treating her rather differently from her former maids, having discovered that she was quite a superior person for the station.

Her new maid puzzled her. She would have been mce puzzled, perhaps, had she seen Lina after the door was closed. For one moment she stood with flashing eyes and glowing cheek, then she sank on a sfa with hands clasped.

"Now I know why Herbert was so eager to be gone. His uncle not only forbade his marriage with me, but insisted on he marrying her. Dear boy! he dreads some entanglement, and feared to stay.

"And he was right. For if I read her truly, Gertrude Roddy would not hesitate to take the initiative if she wished to make a man marry her.

"Ah, Herbert, my love, why do I not hear from you! but I will keep a good heart, still hoping for your return. And I am not the only one; for well I understand the sad wistful look on your uncle's face. Dear old man, cruel and wilful as he is to me, yet do I love him dearly; and it will be astrange thing if I do not bring my love into his heart soon, for Herbert's sake!

That very night, when Gertrude Roddy returned from the opera, she was informed that hr uncle—she called him so, though th relationship was much more distant—was very ill.

She inquired about him with the kindest interest, he did not go to his room, but remained in the study, and manifested th greatest concern when she was informed that the symptoms indicated typhoid fever.

"But I apprehend no immediate danger, Miss Roddy. I will send a nurse if you wish, although there is a young lady in the house who seems competent to do all that is required. She will make no mistake, and needs no medicine, I'm sure."

"Whom do you mean? There is no young lady in te house but myself."

"She is a sght, fair girl and your uncle seems pleased with her attention."

"Ah, it is linda. Yes, she is very capable. She any maid, Dr. Ross."

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"I have determined to alter my will in your favour, nda Lyle. I have been disappointed i belonging to me.

"It is meet th I should reward faithfulness when I fd it, though I am convinced no thought of reward influenced your mind.

"What is youfull name, child, that I may give it to u lawyer?"

"My full nae is Ethelinda Lyle Jarvis. Dear Mr. Trnbull, if I have indeed won your good vinion, forgive my deception, and dqustice to your nephew, Herbert Langley

"I am Ethel arvis, the unfortunate cause of your sration from him."

"Ethel Jarvi What do you mean, girl?"

"Just what I sy, sir. I entered your house with myaind made up to win your kind reard if possible, and, with it, your consent to my marriage with Herbert Langley

"Believe me, had no thought of supplanting Miseddy, nor of injuring her in any way. I tried to persuade her against the stephat has offended you.

"Dear, kind frid, will you not forgive Herbert and meir being fond of each other?"

And she smiles little bit saucily.

"And so you're Ethel Jarvis—Herbert's Ethel?" Al Mr. Turnbull's voice was soft and gen, and he searched the girl's face with tnest eyes—eyes that had long since w her affection because they were so like Herbert's.

"Well, well; s that I know you, I can understand w impossible it was for the poor lad lobey me."

And he laugh and patted her head.

"Then you will take him back to favor?"

"Yes—for your sake, my dear. And I shall give him a rich wife, too; for you, Ethel, shall be my heiress."

"No, no! I beg you will not do so. I have no claim, no right to your wealth. I have not heard from your nephew for many weeks, and he may have forgotten me—have ceased to care for me, and—"

"In that case he would certainly not inherit my money," cried Mr. Turnbull with flashing eyes.

Ethel laughed roguishly.

"He might say, with some truth, sir, that you were hard to please," she said. "However, I have really no doubt of his faithfulness, but his delay in writing makes me anxious for his well-being."

Ethel's anxiety was soon set at rest. Her next visit to the post-office was rewarded by a letter from her betrothed.

He was coming for her—was even now on his way; not yet wealthy, but with bright prospects, and a certainty sufficient for them to marry upon, and live in comfort in his distant home.

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"But we shall not let him go back!" he said, kissing her blushing cheek. "We shall conspire to keep him here!"

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The coats of the tall bay horses were glossy and smooth, the silver-mounted harness trappings shone brightly, and everything about the equipage was as it should be, except the coachman.

Not that the coachman was less elegant in appearance than the carriages or the horses. The proportions of his chest were majestic, his great coat fitted without a wrinkle, his tall silk hat shone with the undimmed luster of the maker's gloss, a handsome fur cape adorned his broad shoulders and his gloves were new and perfect.

But instead of holding his head erect with that dignity and hauteur that belong alone to coachmen and kings, he nodded sleepily upon his box and every other minute his chin sank into the fur of his caps. There were no other carriages near and the sleepy coachman's head bobbed up and down.

Destiny had arranged that at this juncture of affairs John A. Mackay should be passing through Union Square with a friend on his way to dress for the afternoon performance of "Evangeline" at the Fourteenth Street theatre.

The comedian entertains a lofty contempt for men who cannot stay up three nights in succession and remain awake the next day; and, therefore, when he caught sight of the nodding coachman, his soul was disturbed. He stopped and remarked to his friend:

"I'll bet $4 that that duffer will nod his hat off in less than eight minutes."

The other refused the risk as unduly hazardous, and the two watched the coachman for a few moments, and were about to walk on again, when Mr. Mackay was suddenly seized with an inspiration.

He bade his friend go on and wait for him before the next show window. Then he stepped up to the side of the carriage, opened the door softly and then slammed it shut again.

The effect upon the coachman was electrical. Up went his chin into the air, and in his features could be detected the relief he felt that his mistress had got into the carriage without detecting his criminal sleepiness.

Then he turned his head slightly to receive his directions, and observed Mr. Mackay apparently in conversation with the occupant of the carriage.

The comedian addressed a few polite remarks to the empty carriage, said "Good afternoon," raised his hat, and then turned to the coachman. "Home," he said, and the broughman turned majestically about and rolled swiftly up to town.

A moment later a seal-skin clad lady emerged from the store, followed by a porter carrying half a dozen bundles. She walked to the curbstone and looked with amazement up and down the street, and then turned angrily back to the store.

"Far be it from me to intrude upon the sanctity of her grief," observed Mr. Mackay softly, and with his friend he walked down Fourteenth street.—[New York Sun.

The People Not Wanted on Street Cars.

Men who smoke bad cigars on the front platform.
Men who cross their legs when the cars are crowded.
Men who chew and expectorate in the cars.
Peddlers who fill the cars with their wares and smell badly.
Men who whistle.
The stareful dude.
The awful masher.
Men who talk so loudly that no one else can hope to be heard by his neighbor.
Men who sit sidewise when people are looking for seats.
Men who crowd the platform so that people are squeezed nearly to death in getting on or off the cars.
Men who pick their teeth in public.
Men who clean their finger-nails in public.
Juveniles who insist on skylarking.
Boys who eat peanuts.
The small boy who, on muddy days, insists on kneeling on the seats.
Spindling ladies.
Men who have been indulging in too much Pleasant Valley mixtures.
Men who hum all the way.
Men who want to know where the car is going to and when they get there.
Women who flirt with the wrong fellow.
The girl who hangs on to him all the way.
The bundle woman.
The lady who has just been doing a little shopping and bought out the store.
Giggling girls.
The umbrella fiend who always pokes the driver in the back or the conductor in the stomach.
The stout lady who, when the car lurches, subsides in one's lap.
The shrill-voiced female.
The mother of six who brings the whole six along.
The lady who will mistake the bell rope for the strap.
The woman who at every street corner asks where she is to get out.
The gum-eating girl.
The women who, after stopping the car, only take five minutes to kiss and say good-by.
The old young girl.
The young old girl.
The musical enthusiast.
The stage-struck girl.
The girl who captures the conductor's attention so that he has no eyes or ears left for his business.
The loud girl.
The women who paint.
The stalwart party who challenges you for your seat.
The girl who looks at you too hard.
The girl who won't look at you at all.

A BRIGHT DETECTIVE.

Has Many a Good Time With the Man He Was Sent to Find, and Fails to Recognize Him.

Some time ago a confidential clerk in the employ of a firm in Indiana skipped the gutter with several thousand dollars in ready cash. While it was determined to hunt him down at all hazards, the firm did not feel like wasting a great deal of money in so doing.

A one-horse country detective was therefore employed, and after a while he traced his man to Detroit. The detective didn't propose to share any of the glory with the Detroit officers, and he slid around for a week before he learned that his man was in Windsor.

Then he went over there, still working on the quiet, and a nice young man at one of the hotels informed him that the defaulter had just gone to Toronto, but would be back in a few days.

The pair became fast friends, and the nice young man had his daily drinks and cigars at the detective's expense.

The two came over to Detroit and attended the theater and had good times, and it was the opinion of the officer that he never met such a nice young man.

Finally, a night or two ago, as they landed from the boat on the other side, the detective inquired:

"You must be an agent of some sort?"

"Oh, no," was the reply, "I am simply traveling for pleasure."

"Where do you live when at home?"

"In Indiana."

"Why, I'm from Indiana!"

"Yes, you told me so the first day."

"Whereabout in Indiana?"

"Vincennes."

"Good gracious! but my home is only three miles from Vincennes."

"Yes, I know."

"What did you do in Vincennes?"

"Clerked for Lath & Shingles."

"What! Why, that is the very firm that was robbed!"

"Yes, I know," was the placid reply.

"And your name is—what?" queried the detective.

"William Green!"

"Great Scott! but you are the chap who stole the money!" howled the officer.

"Yes, certainly! What are you going to do about it?" calmly replied the nice young man, as he lighted another fifteen-center.—[Detroit Free Press.

A Skilful Young Canvasser.

A good story is told of a little girl, whose mother is a member of Bosworth Relief Corps, which goes to show that even at her tender age she is smart enough to run a fair.

The little miss is only nine years old. She is very pretty and ladylike.

When the Relief Corps decided to hold a fair the ladies, as is customary, asked the friends to contribute articles to their various tables.

Now, our little miss thought she would do business on her own hook. So she called on many ladies she knew, interested them in the fair, and when it was time to open the fair this little miss had secured so much and of such variety that a number had to be sent to collect the contributions.

This little miss was very attentive during the fair. One evening Mayor Deering came into the hall. The young lady waltzed up to him and said—her bright face and sparkling eyes attracting the attention of listeners:

"Mayor Deering, I am collecting some money for the fair; won't you contribute?"

The Mayor put his hand in his pocket, took out some money, and, without looking at it, handed it to the little miss. She thanked him and went off, but in a few moments was back again and said:

"Mayor Deering, I forgot to tell you that we proposed to print the names of those contributing the money I am collecting, and when you gave me some money you didn't stop to look at it, and I thought you ought to know that you gave me seven cents, because I didn't believe you would want it printed that the Mayor of Portland gave seven cents to the fair."

A broad smile overspread the Mayor's face, and, drawing his pocket-book, he handed the little miss a scrip $5 bill.

"Now," says our little miss, "I hear Governor Roble is here, Mr. Mayor, and I would like ever so much to be introduced. Won't you introduce me?"

"Certainly," replied his honor, always gallant, "come with me."

So the couple walked up to where the Governor was, and the Mayor addressing him, said:

"Governor, here is a little girl who is very anxious to know the chief magistrate of the State."

The Governor turned, shook hands with our little miss, asked her her name, patted her head and asked her what he could do for her.

"Why, Governor Roble," she replied, "I am collecting some money for the fair. Won't you contribute?"

"Of course, I will," replied the Governor; "what shall I give you?"

"Well, you see," said our little miss, "Mayor Deering has given me $5, and of course the Governor of a State would wish to give more than the mayor of a city."

The Governor was quick to see the joke, and laughingly drew his wallet and our little miss a bill to add to the other contributions for the relief fund.—[Portland (Me) Press.

Bean Soup Better Than Beef Tea.

A writer in the People's Health Journal tells of a debilitated patient who did not do at all well on beef tea, but was easily restored to health on a diet of bean soup.

The only remarkable thing about this is that the patient ever expected to derive strength and nourishment from beef tea alone. Considering that we have upward of a hundred thousand doctors, and that a very large proportion of them are fully agreed that beef tea is almost valueless, except as a stimulant, it is surprising that people continue to look upon it as a food.

A Funny Mistake.

It was on a Lehigh Valley train bound South the other day.

Approaching the seat occupied by a lady, the conductor pleasantly extended his right hand, with the punch handily adjusted to its fingers. Thereupon the lady quietly pushed farther into her seat, and with a quizzical expression on her countenance, remarked in a tone of surprise:

"Ah! but my dear sir, I do not want my tooth extracted. It hasn't been a source of annoyance to me in several days."

The conductor stepped nearer to the end of the seat, and was about to make a facetious reply, as he considered that the lady was not in earnest, when she met him with:

"Didn't I tell you in sufficiently plain terms that I would not submit to the operation? Are you deaf? Go on about your business with that instrument!"

She was really in earnest, and when she learned what the punch was for, blushes suffused her face.—[Wilkes-Barre (Pa.) Leader.

WILD HORSES.

The Grandest Sight on the Plains.

I had camped near the forks of the Platte, and was aroused just at daylight by footsteps around me. After listening for a moment I felt sure that they were the footsteps of horses. They seemed to be circling around me—not at a canter—not at a trot, but at a moderate walk.

It was well that I had secured my horse in a thorough manner, for I never saw him so excited. He tugged and pulled at his lariat, stood up on his hind legs, neighed and snorted, pawed and pranced, and it was his actions that gave me a clue to the identity of my visitors.

They were wild horses!

Had they been Indian ponies my trained horse would have remained as dumb and silent as a post. Indeed, Indians would not have approached me in that man

Cambria Freeman.

EBENSBURG, PA.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 14, 1887.

IF the Democrats of Pennsylvania have had but one Governor during the last quarter of a century, of him they may well be proud. Governor Pattison retires after an official career of four years full of honor and statesmanship all. He has been free from partisan bias in all his official acts, and no outside pressure has ever swerved him from his line of duty.

THE United States Senate is rapidly becoming a national assembly of millionaires. The President of the Senate, John Sherman, is a very rich man. Stanford, of California, is worth $15,000,000; Fair, of Nevada, $30,000,000; Camden, of West Virginia, $7,000,000; Cameron, of Pennsylvania, $4,000,000; Brown, of Georgia, $3,000,000; Palmer, of Michigan, $2,500,000, and Edmunds, of Vermont, Jones, of Nevada and Malone, of Virginia, is such a millionaire, while Aldrich, of Rhode Island, Allison, of Iowa, and a large number of others have fortunes variously estimated at from one-fourth to three-fourths of a million. Still more millionaires will be added to the list of Senators this winter.

ATTORNEY GENERAL CASSIDY is vigorously pushing the equity suit of the State against the coal combination and trunk line pool. The magnitude of the case is such that it will not be possible to conclude it before Mr. Cassidy's term of office will expire, and the suit will not be carried to a verdict unless Governor-elect Beaver and his Attorney General take hold of it, or retain Mr. Cassidy to fight it to a finish. Now since the case is on trial, it is to be hoped it will receive a thorough investigation and that it may be definitely settled whether, under our State Constitution, syndicates can be formed with impunity to enrich corporations at the expense of the people. To raise the prices of the necessaries of life above their natural marketable value by a pool excluding competition, is an act closely allied to robbery.

GOVERNOR ELECT BEAVER is to be congratulated on Cooper's refusal to accept the position of Secretary of the Commonwealth in his Cabinet. That Beaver should have entertained for a moment his desire to reward his industrious field-marshal by the appointment in defiance of the Constitution, must be contemplated with regret by all law-abiding citizens. The Chief Executive, whose business it is to demand the enforcement of Constitutional provisions should be the last one, even by intimation, to disregard them. It may be claimed that General Beaver did not say he would appoint Cooper to the position, but the press said it for him, and also raised the question of its constitutionality. It was then General Beaver should have publicly announced *his allegiance to the Constitution*.

THE reapportionment of the State into Congressional Districts during the present session of the Pennsylvania Legislature will afford the Republicans a rare opportunity to show their patriotism and their ability and willingness to rise above narrow partisanship. With a telling majority in both branches of the Legislature and a Republican Governor to sign their bills, they have the matter all in their own hands. If they obey the mandate of the Constitution in forming districts and compose them of "compact and contiguous territory as nearly equal in population as may be," they will receive the encomiums of all right-minded citizens. If they disregard their plain duty and gerrymander districts with the view of electing an increased number of Republican Congressmen they will not only deserve the contempt and execration of every citizen of the Commonwealth, but will defeat the very object they had in view. Public injustice never fails to bring revenge and humiliation on its perpetrators, and is therefore both short-sighted and impolitic. Intimations from Republican headquarters at Harrisburg are rife with the old gerrymandering projects, which are to make a solid Republican Congressional phalanx of the western part of the State, take Randall's Philadelphia District away from him, and reduce the whole number of Democratic Congressmen to six. Future developments will prove either the patriotism or partisan bigotry of Pennsylvania Republicanism.

SOME kind of legislation on the liquor or temperance question this winter, is a foregone conclusion. Prohibition, high license and local option are some of the many remedies talked of to abate the evils of the liquor traffic. Another remedy has been suggested by individuals, but whether it has impressed itself on the Solons at Harrisburg or not, is not stated. The remedy proposed is the abolishment of the treating habit. The evils of drinking arise from the excess and not the moderate or temperate use of the liquid. The practice of treating leads to excessive indulgence; therefore, a law preventing the sale of liquor to a party treating, and making it a criminal offense either to treat or be treated, would divest the liquor traffic of one of its greatest evils. If a man wants a drink let him pay for it himself, and drink it, and there let his privilege stop in this respect. He has not the moral right, and should not have the legal to insist upon and finally induce his friend to drink who perhaps don't care about it, but being of a social, genial nature, cannot refuse for fear of marring the social feature of the occasion, and he drinks. Now he feels it to be his turn to treat, which he does, and if there are a half-dozen or more friends in the crowd, each takes his turn at treating, and, as all must drink, the result is all get drunk. There are many men who would not drink at all—who are occasionally seen full—if the treating practice were abolished. The individual who enjoys a spree alone is a rare specimen of humanity. Let the man who buys as well as he who sells intoxicating drinks be amenable to the law, and the can be kept under control.

Painting the Court House.

Cambria county is naturally Democratic by one thousand majority. And it took Lincoln's Bank to break itself and squander over $170,000 of the people's money to carry a single candidate against the Democrats. It was pitiable to see the hard earnings of the people lavished on the poor and unfortunate as well as on the corrupt to break the solid Democratic phalanx.

But as fee of office secured by these unhallowed means has given the Republicans an insatiate appetite for the "loaves and fishes," and every crooked means has been used to accomplish their purpose.

In 1884 they succeeded by false pretense in electing a treasurer, who never filled the office, but bartered it away to one who had just been repudiated by the people. And to continue this wrong all unfair means will be used for the next election.

No respectable man of either party in Cambria county doubts the honesty of Messrs. Hamilton, Kirby and Costlow, nor did any one ever suspect them, or either of them, with any ring or clique in politics. And yet they are called to account by one of the Ebensburg syndicate, for not *letting* the painting of the Court House.

Is this a crime the last Democratic Board of Commissioners, with Samuel W. Davis as the leading member, with his colleagues, were guilty of grievous errors.

The furniture of the new Court House was furnished by an Erie city Republican, at an expense of some $15,000.—*There was no letting.*

Davis and Hague, Commissioners, agreed to give J. A. Shoemaker the building of the Court House fence at the sum of $1100. *There was no letting.*

Mr. Davis and his colleagues gave V. S. Barker & Bro., for carpets for Court House, the sum of $1389.22. *There was no letting.*

The same Board paid John H. Brown, Esq., $3000 for indexing records, &c.—*There was no letting;* and John C. Gates, Esq., $475 for arranging papers, &c.—*There was no letting.*

These and many other jobs were given out without any letting; and no Democrat ever thought of getting into the papers about it. Democrats did not doubt the honesty of the Commissioners, nor the honesty of the parties with whom they contracted. F. H. Barker, Esq., was the late Republican Chairman, but no Democrat would be silly enough to ask how much of this went into the last campaign. Nor did any Democrat ask how much of John H. Brown's $3000 was used to secure his re-election. The Commissioners might have let the job for one-third what they paid him. But would it have been done so well? We have no doubt the Commissioners in all these cases dealt as honest men, with honest men.

To the pure all things are pure, but to the vision of a scoundrel everything is suspicious.

The mercantile and clerical work being handed over to Republicans by a Democratic Board, some hard and important work was needed. Of course, when it came to hard labor, that would not be in the Republican line. So a Democrat was employed—as honest a man, and as competent a mechanic as Cambria county produces. He performed his work faithfully, presented his bill—$1704—and received his pay. But, like Mr. Barker, he was Chairman of a political committee. How that should debar him of the right to labor and receive pay, no one but the Ebensburg Syndicate can tell. But there was no letting, and some painter or white-washer would have done the job cheaper.

Mr. Syndicate asks why they did not let it to the lowest bidder, "as either of the Commissioners would have done had it been for their own property?" This answers itself. We aver that no Commissioner, or any other man of common sense, would have let the painting of a house that cost $100,000 to the lowest bidder.

Mr. Mayer presented his bill when his work was completed—it is there to show for itself—and the Commissioners merely did as they were bound to do—paid for his work.

Cambria county has been fortunate. She has better public buildings, more faithful officers than the surrounding counties. She is proud of her record; and yet, strange as it may seem, her Republican editors are always ready to belittle her because of her unflinching Democratic principles. We may recur to this subject.

"Down in Front."

The cart-wheel hat and tower-of-Babel bonnet, trimmed with the birds and foliage of a tropical forest, are hereafter to be left at home by the theatre-goer, or if worn to be removed on entering the place of amusement. Mrs. Cleveland has set the example, and all who do not follow suit may expect to be overwhelmed by popular indignation. Of course this new fashion of removing the hat, or wearing none at all to places of amusement, will cause the shedding of many a bitter tear by the fair ones who have just spent small fortunes on stacks of fuss, flowers and feathers, preparatory to attending places of amusement where, in prominent front seats, to an admiring audience behind them, they might furnish the scenery of the evening. But all this is changed, and the first lady of the land has proclaimed that persons have rights which even hats and bonnets must respect. It will soon be demonstrated that ladies can make themselves far more attractive and much less annoying and loud by tastefully arranging their hair with a few modest ornaments, permitting an unobstructed view of a captivating face, than by bearing around on their crowns circular-saw hats and smoke-stack bonnets. As one extreme in fashion generally follows another, we may soon expect to see displayed in millinery windows all over the land the most tiny little hats and bonnets, fitted specially for all kinds of gatherings where one person is expected to look over or past another's head.

THE Republican party of Pennsylvania is on trial by its representatives at Harrisburg. We shall watch and wait to see whether patriotism or partyism will carry the day.

The Perils of High Living.

Take such deaths within a very few years as those of Grant, Matt Carpenter, Zach Chandler, Hancock, Hendricks, Arthur, McClellan, Logan, Judge David Davis, General Miller, Vanderbilt, and the many less prominent but still widely known men, and it may be ascertained that their deaths were due to high living and sedentary habits. Secretary Manning has been disabled from a similar cause, and President Cleveland is, for the second time this winter, laid up in bed with rheumatism, gout or something of the kind, brought on by too much eating and not enough exercise. Now Cleveland and General Sheridan talk about the "massaga" treatment, or a sort of Turkish bath treatment, to reduce their burdensome flesh! Mechanical removal of blubber, in other words!—What they and all such should do is to live moderately and exercise freely.

The world laughs at Gladstone chopping down his almost daily tree at Hawarden, as a crank; but, in consequence of tree-chopping and other healthful exercise, Gladstone is a power in the world at near 80 years of age; and Emperor Wilhelm, who takes his daily horseback exercise, is a lively old boy of 90.

How many 80-year-old able-bodied men in public life have we in the United States? Washington living and the packing of heavy dinners here and there about the country uses Americans up at time when English statesmen are at their best. Bancroft, the historian, is over four score, and still healthful and happy, but he takes his daily long walk, as he has done these twenty years. But Americans with the physical qualities of Bancroft are scarce.

What our prominent and well-to-do people need is temperance in eating and an abundance but not an excess of exercise. More of plain bread beef and tea and less of turtle, oysters and wine; more of active exercise and less of sedentary cotillions; more of walking and less of carriage riding, and so better health and longer lives. One thing more they should observe: The design of nature was to make eating and drinking a benefit, no a detriment, to the body; and according to that wise provision, cheap food, which is the food most easily obtained, is the best food, so that it be not foul or corrupt with decay or adulteration, before being taken into the system. The man who attempts to eat out his income after it passes a reasonable sum, will find his great income a barrier to his happiness and a standing menace against his life. Logan was not rich, and therefore could not give many dinners, but he was powerful, or promised to be, and he was a favorite with people who could give dinners, and in consequence he suffered. Those who give and those who accept too much eating and drinking are equally unfortunate.

The Republican Plan.

The Republican plan of reducing the revenue, put forth in the bill introduced by Mr. Hiscock, of New York, on last Saturday, does not seem to be much of a Republican plan after all; and it is also shown that when the mere field of mere opposition is abandoned for positive action, the Republicans differ as the Democrats do, on getting rid of the surplus. After all, as General Hancock said, it is a local question, and touches the pocket nerve in different ways in different parts of the country.

Mr. Hiscock proposes to cut off $25,000,000 revenue by reducing the sugar duties one-half, and paying a bounty of $2 a ton on American made sugar—that is, a cent a pound, whether it is from cane, beet root or sorghum. It provides also for the total abolition of the internal revenue taxes upon tobacco, which, for the year ending June 30, 1886, amounted to $27,807,302. The bill, in addition, removes the internal revenue tax upon alcohol used in the arts. The amount of tax remission to be accomplished by this way cannot be closely estimated; but the total reduction by Mr. Hiscock's bill approximates $53,000,000 per annum.

Judge Kelley, a colleague of Mr. Hiscock on the Ways and Means Committee, says of the bill that "its multifarious, if not absolutely conflicting, provisions are too ingenious to be practicable," and on behalf of the Republican members of the committee disclaims responsibility for it. The Judge wants to settle the surplus by a law of a few dozen words wiping the Internal Revenue system out of existence.

Mr. Randall's bill and move to consider it is awaited with much interest. It is not deemed improbable that it may have strength enough to get through the House, but hardly the talkative Senate with only seven weeks of the session remaining. Mr. Randall's bill will, he estimates, make a cut in the annual revenue of about $47,000,000, as follows: Tobacco tax, $28,000,000; fruit spirits, $1,000,000; alcohol for the arts, $12,000,000; general repeal of licenses, $700,000; lumber and some other raw materials, $5,000,000.—*Pittsburg Post.*

Practice vs. Profession.

The first meeting of the Socialist Labor party in New York, furnished a complete corroboration of the stories about the bill of expenses rendered by the Anvelling reformers, and explained how professional advocates of that class can afford to be superior to the temptations of wealth. The bills of the English missionaries for the benefit of the poor contained such items as "$50 for cigars for Dr. Aveling, and a smaller amount for cigarettes for Mrs. Aveling," "$100 for theater tickets," "wine and board $42," "$25 for corsage bouquets," while the total expenses of their trip of a few weeks amounted to as much as would have taken a dozen people over the same ground.

Naturally the bills created a good deal of astonishment among the poor Socialists. The idea that the people who come to this country to preach against a system which permits luxury while the poor are starving, should spend sums for cigars, theater tickets and corsage bouquets which would keep a family, of the class they claim to represent, is a very practical commentary on their preaching. The Socialism which the Avelings represent seems to be of a very comfortable sort for themselves, but the rank and file who have to pay for their wine and cigars may be pardoned for doubting whether the Avelings are very much better than the capitalists who at least pay the workingmen wages instead of using the funds of the latter for luxuries. The bills which the Avelings have left behind them will do more to undo their teachings than reams of argument could effect.—*Pitts. Dispatch.*

Trade Dollars.

The House Committee on Coinage, Weights and Measures, on Wednesday took up for consideration the Senate bill providing that after July 1 trade dollars shall be redeemed to the extent of $500,000 monthly, and shall be counted as a part of the monthly purchase of bullion as required by the act of 1878. An amendment providing for an extension of six months after the passage of the bill of the time for the redemption was carried. Mr. Scott was ordered to report the bill to the House and take such measures as may be necessary to secure its consideration. A favorable report was also ordered on Mr. Bland's resolution, calling on the Secretary of the Treasury for a statement of the amount of silver bullion purchased monthly under the act of Feb., 1878.

The Inter-State Bill.

WASHINGTON, January 12.—Senate continued its consideration of the Inter-State Commerce bill to-day, and Mr. Cullom repeated his notice of intention to ask the Senate to remain in session until the bill shall have been disposed of, but Mr. Ingalls stated that he hoped the gentleman in charge of the bill would not pursue such a course. It seems quite improbable that a vote on the bill will be reached for some days yet, as Mr. Allison will to-morrow endeavor to obtain the floor for the consideration of appropriation bills which have been acted upon by the Senate Committee. A great deal of interest is displayed both inside and outside of the respective chambers of Congress as to the probable fate of the Inter-State Commerce bill. A press reporter, who has made careful inquiries, says that Mr. Cullom, the gentleman in charge of the bill, is the only Senator who is willing to predict favorable action. There are a number of Senators who say they think the bill will pass, but the statement is invariably qualified with the phrase: "But there is nothing certain about it."

Mr. Cullom maintains that were a vote taken to day the bill would have more supporters than it had when the debate began. Senators Evarts, Aldrich, Platt, Teller and Stanford may be quoted with those who consider the result uncertain, and the latter Senator has made what he considers as close a canvass as is possible at this time. There are about twelve Senators who yet desire to speak on the subject, and in view of this fact Mr. Cullom will doubtless do no more than request the Senate to sit the measure out, and an adjournment at the usual time to day will be the result. Those most interested in the matter are inclined to construe delay in final action on the bill as unfavorable. From all the information that can be obtained, it cannot be predicted with any degree of certainty which way the majority will vote, and this uncertainty will probably exist until the roll is called. The indications may point to a very close vote.

The debate on the bill was participated in to-day by Messrs. Call for it, and Brown and Mitchell, of Oregon, in opposition thereto. Without reaching a vote however, the Senate adjourned.

The Prospect of War

Prince Bismarck's speech seems to leave little doubt in Europe that France and Germany will fly at each other's throats as soon as the spring permits that pleasant amusement. When the ball opens, Russia will undoubtedly move across the Danube, and it will remain to be seen whether England and Austria have got the backbone to stand in her path.

The fight between France and Germany will be a hard one, if once commenced. Germany will have the prestige of former success and the advantage of holding the positions in Alsace and Lorraine. On the other hand France will know from experience what she has to contend, and will be prepared for it; while the absolutist policy of Bismark for ten years past will probably be found to have diminished the fervor of the German national spirit which carried the Prussian flag to Paris in 1870.

The outcome of the fight between Russia and her antagonists is likely to be still more doubtful. England can no doubt keep the Russian fleets off the seas; but whether, with Germany out of that conflict, an alliance can be formed that will stop the progress of the Russian infantry is questionable.

But it is not questionable that if the monarchs get fairly embarked in the task of slaughtering the people for their own aggrandizement it will hasten the day when the people may conclude to take charge of the Governments for themselves.—*Pittsburg Dispatch.*

A New Feature of the Irish Conflict.

The burning of the houses of evicted tenants in County Kerry to prevent the occupants from returning to them, is a new feature of the conflict between tenants and landlords in Ireland, and comes dangerously near to civil war.

The landlords are taking matters into their own hands, and the tenants will be something more or less than human if they do not better the instruction.

This shameful conduct of the landlords is a pitiful comment on the imbecility of the administration which came into power with promises not only to restore order in Ireland but to devise a method for the permanent settlement of the problem of government there. After months of hesitation, it is struggling to maintain its own existence, while Irish landlords appeal to the torch instead of the courts.

The torch will light the path of the Liberals to victory, while serving to signalize the triumphs of the National League. It is the last resort of desperation.—*Pittsburg Times.*

Pigeons Cross the Atlantic.

On October 9 Henry Wagner, of Boston, sent by steamer nine carrier pigeons to London, where they were given their freedom, and the whole number started on their long journey across the Atlantic. Up to this time the owner has received three of the birds. One went to Boston, another was captured near New York, and the third was found upon the summit of the Allegheny mountains, in an exhausted condition, by a man who warmed and fed it. On the wing of the pigeon was found the following: "If this bird is caught or shot notify Henry Wagner, Boston, Mass." The finder wrote to Mr. Wagner, and by his instructions brought the bird to Tyrone on Saturday and shipped to the owner by express. This is one the longest flies on record.

THE old Chesapeake and Ohio Canal from Cumberland to Georgetown, no longer pays expense, and the Governor of Maryland declares that unless it shall be aided by the State or the National Government it must be abandoned. This canal was projected by Washington, who was the first president of the company that operated it. The failure of the canal is due to its inability to compete with the railroads that extend from the seaboard to the coal regions, where its western terminus is situated.

—Jay Gould is said to have gone through life very leisurely. No matter how important a question of time may seem to be, he is never in a hurry.

PROHIBITION will not reform. He who does not steal, simply because the opportunity is lacking, is still a thief at heart.

NOW THAT Congress and the Pennsylvania Legislature are both in session we may look for occasional blizzards and uncertain weather generally.

Excitement in Texas.

Great excitement has been caused in the vicinity of Paris, Texas, by the remarkable recovery of Mr. J. E. Corley, who was so helpless he could not turn in bed, or raise his head; everybody said he was dying of consumption. A trial bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery was sent him. Finding relief, he bought a large bottle and a box of Dr. King's New Life Pills; by the time he had taken two boxes of Pills and two bottles of the Discovery, he was well and had gained in flesh thirty-six pounds. Trial bottles of this Great Discovery for Consumption free at E. James'.

NEWS AND OTHER NOTINGS.

—Professor Hayden of the geological survey has resigned.

—Senator Hawley presented to the senate a petition of citizens of Washington county, Texas, claiming that they had been exiled for their political opinions.

—Clipped from *Canada Presbyterian*, under signature of C. Blackett Robinson, Propr: I was cured of oft-recurring bilious headache by Burdock Blood Bitters.

—Congressman W. Cox has introduced a bill to allow the widow of the late Rev. M. A. Hopkins, who died recently while minister to Liberia, a year's salary.

—The senate, in secret session, after a stormy debate, has passed resolution advising the president to negotiate with Nicaragua for concessions for an interoceanic canal.

—M. T. Elmore, while boring a well near Remington, Ind., encountered a solid black walnut log at a depth of 140 feet. The wood was perfectly sound and the question is, how did it get down to that remarkable depth.

—Mr. Sherman has introduced in the senate a bill to reimburse the depositors of the Freedmen's Savings and Trust company for losses sustained by the failure of the concern. The sum of $1,200,000 is appropriated for the purpose.

—The committee appointed at the late meeting of the Western Pennsylvania Agricultural society to draft resolutions touching upon the oleno-pneumonia, now attacking so many herds of cattle, have reported, asking Pennsylvania members of congress to vote for the Miller bill.

—A little girl having the measles was allowed by her criminally careless parents to attend the Christmas celebration of the First Presbyterian Sunday-school of Camden, N. J., and now a score or more of the pupils have the disease, and the school has been closed.

—The Supreme Court last week affirmed the constitutionality and validity of the State statute prohibiting either the sale or manufacture of oleomargarine or any artificial butter in Pennsylvania. The opinion was filed by Judge Sterrett and, Judge Gordon presented a dissenting declaration.

—The largest blast ever fired near Easton Pa., was touched off by Superintendent Firestone of the Glendon Iron Company, last Saturday. It consisted of 44,500 pounds of powder, distributed in five chambers, each fifty feet back from the face of the quarry. The whole hillside, 150 feet high, was blown out and about 200,000 tons of stone were loosened.

—Joseph Perry, a rich miner, and Richard Price, his cousin both aged men, were found last Friday afternoon frozen to death in their miserable abode, at No. 1425 Locust street, Philadelphia. Perry, it is said, leaves an estate worth over $100,000. For a long time the strange couple had existed on small allowances of stale bread and large quantities of whisky.

—A Deputy United States Marshal on Monday arrested William Cunningham, a resident of Fayette county Pa., near Fairmont, West Virginia, charged with making and issuing spurious coin. In his pockets and at his mother's house were found about a bushel of dollars, halves, quarters, dimes and nickels, all well executed, and plaster moulds for all. He refused to give any of his confederates away.

—Elijah Babbitt, the oldest resident of Erie, Pa., and probably the oldest practicing lawyer in the United States, died there on Saturday in his ninety second year. He was born in Providence, R. I., admitted to the Pennsylvania Bar in 1814 served in the State Legislature as Representative and Senator, and was a Representative in Congress from 1858 to 1862. He tried a suit in court during the past summer and retained his faculties to the last.

—General Beaver and Colonel Patton, of Curwensville, took supper in Tyrone, one day last week. The General hurriedly devoured his meal, as he wanted to catch the train going east, while it Colonel, having more time, leisurely smiled himself to his appetite. The Governor-elect, when he arrived at Lewistown Junction, was handed a message that read as follows: "Dear General—Hold on to my hat until we meet again, and I will hold on to your. John Patton."

—John Rosch, the grey-ship builder, died at his residence, corner of Fifth avenue, New York, on Monday morning. His death was due to exhaustion of the vital forces, his suffering being intense from the cancer with which he was afflicted in the roof of his mouth. He had completed his seventieth year previous to his death. He was born in Ireland and came to this country penniless, when but sixteen years of age. He struggled on, had many ups and downs and rose from abject poverty to be the possessor of several million dollars.

—Governor Abbett, of New Jersey, congratulates the people of the State upon the great advance made in reference to the taxation of corporations. An increase of State revenue from this source in 1886 over 1884, of more than $375,000 is shown, and for local purposes the increase is estimated at over $1,000,000. In regard to prison labor, he says: "I cannot view with favor any employment of labor in the prison which interferes unjustly with outside labor. The question of revenue could be subordinate to the rights of labor at capital engaged industries outside the prison.

—Political affairs in Canada are rapidly approaching a crisis. The Government has determined to make an appeal to the country, and shrewd politicians from all parts of the Dominion are of the opinion that the Conservative party must go. The indictment which the Liberals bring against the Government is a strong one. They claim that in eight years the public debt has been raised $300 per family that, after increasing taxation to the utmost there have resulted enormous deficits, and at innumerable subsidies, timber limits, ranches, and mines have been distributed among the Government's Parliamentary flowers. The whole story is one of undisguised corruption and fraud, breach of faith with the Half-breeds, and of the most wanton extravagance. It is a wonder, indeed, that the people have so long submitted to be governed by such a spendthrift Administration.

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—Harry Gildea, a Hollidaysburg boy had his leg broken by a coasting accident one day last week.

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—Dennis Farren, a highly respected citizen of Munster township, died on Thursday of last week, aged about seventy years.

—A fire in Bedford, Sunday morning, originated in the Valentine store, and destroyed from $75 000 to $100 000 worth of property.

—The spring election this year comes on 16th of February. If you intend being a candidate it is time you were moving around.

—"Fritz" Lambert, a member of the firm of Lambert & Kress, brewers at Johnstown, died at his home in that place on Tuesday last.

—Mrs. Barbara Long, of Cambria township widow of Joseph Long, deceased, died at her home on Tuesday last, aged about eighty years.

—If you want to keep warm this cold boy no interest. The place to get an overcoat is at the Golden Eagle Clothing House, Altoona, Pa.

—Mr. Nicholas F. Carroll, a former resident of Johnstown, has been nominated by President Cleveland as Postmaster at Salina, Kansas.

—The Jury Commissioners with Judge Johnston are engaged during the present week in filling the Jury wheel for the ensuing year.

—Wanted—Lumber in trade for a new Portable steam sawmill, 25 horse-power, 60 inch saw, 40 foot carriage and 80 foot ways. Apply to this office.

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—The largest and best stock of overcoats ever brought to Central Pennsylvania is now to be seen at the Golden Eagle Clothing House, Altoona, Pa.

—Mr. Andrew Link, of Cambria township, will remove to Carroll township in the spring and Captain E. J. Humphreys will move on to the farm at present occupied by Mr. Link.

—The barn of Silas McFarland, of Antis township, Blair county, with all its contents was destroyed by fire on Friday night of last week. It is supposed to be the work of an incendiary.

—Mrs. Catharine McCoy, of Huntingdon county, who claims to be a second cousin of General George Washington is in such destitute circumstances that relief has to be afforded her by the Poor authorities.

—The boot and shoe store of M. L. Stargenter, in Johnstown, was closed by Deputy Sheriff Laughlin on Monday last on an execution in favor of a Washington city banker named Rich for the sum of $5,000.

—NOTICE.—As most farmers will want to get Phosphate the coming spring, now is the time for you to give your orders for the best Phosphate in the market. I am prepared to furnish it in any grade for $25 to $40 a ton.

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—Judge Johnston last week appointed the following gentlemen members of the Examining Committee of the Cambria Bar for the ensuing year: W. Horace Rose, Chairman; Alvin Evans, W. H. Sechler, H. H. Kuhn and T. F. Zimmerman.

—Robert Troy, of Gallitzin was caught while making a coupling at that place on Saturday last between two cars, and one of his feet was so badly crushed that it had to be amputated. He was taken to the West Penn Hospital in Pittsburg.

—Augustine Stoltz, son of Philip Stoltz of Carroll township, was brought to jail on Monday last by his friends. The young man, who is about twenty-five years of age, is subject to fits of insanity and at times is dangerous. He will be taken to Dixmont asylum as the necessary arrangements can be made.

—The Orchestra, which was organized in Ebensburg about a month ago, is now in shape to play for anything where music is required. They play very well, and those who engage them will not be disappointed. The Orchestra is composed of eight pieces and is under the leadership of Mr. Denny of this place.

—A man committed suicide in New York last week because after making a purchase and paying for it he discovered that he could have saved ten per cent. by purchasing from another party. By buying your dry goods, dress goods, boots and shoes, groceries and provisions at John Owens' store in Ebensburg, you will always be safe from any foolishness of that kind.

—George Heffner, of South York, a fireman on the Pennsylvania railroad was killed in the tunnel at Gallitzin on Tuesday morning. The locomotive on which he was being pulled ahead of Pacific Express up the mountain and in attempting to cut his engine loose while in the tunnel, slipped and fell and was run over by the train. He was about twenty-eight years of age and married.

—In our fourth page will be found the prospectus of the New York *Star*. It is one of the best Democratic papers in the country and is always reliable. Ably edited and published in the metropolis of the country, it fills a want long felt by the Democracy for a paper in full accord with the administration of President Cleveland. To our subscribers we will furnish the weekly *Star* and the FREEMAN for $2.00. Send in your subscriptions.

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—A fatal accident befell Miss Phebe Kerr, of Johnstown last Friday night, who was one of a sleighing party of young ladies, numbering ten, who in a large two-horse sled driven by Alex Revel, took a pleasure ride to Geistown. On their return the horses became unmanageable, and, their being no brakes on the sled, the driver failed to control it. In their flight four of the girls leaped from the sled. Miss Kerr was the first one to alight and the concussion on the icy road caused her death shortly afterward. Of the others that jumped, all escaped except Pauline Cramer who was severely hurt. Those who remained in the sled were uninjured. The driver, Alex Revel, is sharply criticised, it being rumored that he was intoxicated and did not exercise proper care in driving.

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—Mrs. Morgan Hughes, of this place, was taken sick with cramp while on a visit to her daughter in Johnstown last week. She returned home and we believe is slowly recovering.

—James Lynch, Henry Thompson and Thomas Duke were arrested at Altoona one day last week and brought to jail, charged with the robbery of Casper Carle in Clearfield township some time ago. It is believed that they are the guilty parties and that a clue has been obtained to several other robberies, among others, that of Smith, near Cherry Tree and George Elder in Gallitzin township.

—Wednesday Dec. 29 was spent pleasantly at the home of Mr. Samuel O'Hara, it being the anniversary of the birth of their daughter Miss Mamie. A number of friends took part in the celebration of the event and all returned home well pleased with the evening's entertainment and with best wishes for Miss Mamie's future welfare.

—One of the greatest hindrances to good sledding or pleasureable sleighing in Cambria county is the drifted condition of the roads, and yet the means of obviating this annoyance are easy and practicable. Let wire fences be put up along the highways and these will be no more trouble with drifts. Wire fences are as cheap and far more durable than either board or rail fences which break the wind and cause the snow to pile up on their leeward sides. The tearing away of the old fences and the material and building of the new would require an outlay of capital the first year, but what farmer would not be willing to stand the cost of the material for the fences leading through his farm rather than have his fences thrown down and his fields made thoroughfares? and the township being benefitted by the change should bear the expense of putting the new fences up.

—Roscoe, the little seven year-old son of Emanuel Custer, of this place met with a narrow escape from being seriously hurt on Wednesday last. A two horse team, with a double organ sled, belonging to Mr. David H. Williams was being driven briskly down the hill in front of the school house when the little fellow, wanting a ride, attempted to get on. He ran between the sleds, and missing his hold, fell under the runner. He was dragged in this position for about two rods, before the driver noticed the boy and succeeded in checking his horses. When picked up he was bleeding profusely, the blood gushing from his nostrils, and his neck was badly bruised, while it was not known how badly he was hurt. He was taken to Dr. Jones' office and his father sent for, but after an examination by the physician it was found that, with the exception of being badly bruised about the neck, the boy was not seriously hurt.

Communication.

At a meeting of the St. Michael's T. A. and B. Society held on Sunday, Jan. 9, 1887, the following preamble and resolutions were unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, It has pleased Almighty God in His infinite wisdom to remove from our midst our worthy and much esteemed member, Dennis Farren, and

WHEREAS, The intimate relations held during long membership in our society makes it fitting that we record our appreciation of him; therefore be it

Resolved, That the zeal, energy and ability exercised by him in promoting the holy cause of temperance will ever be held in grateful remembrance.

Resolved, That the removal by death of Dennis Farren from amongst us leaves a vacancy and shadow that will be deeply realized by each and every member and will prove a grevious loss to the Society.

Resolved, That with the most deep and heartfelt sympathy for the afflicted relatives of the deceased, we express an earnest hope that God, in His infinite goodness and mercy may overrule so great a bereavement for their highest good.

Resolved, That a copy of the resolution be transmitted to the editor of the CAMBRIA FREEMAN for publication, and also a copy written upon parchment be presented to the widow of our deceased brother.

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"My wife and myself were in bad health for some fifteen years. I chanced to look over one of Simmons Liver Regulator Almanacs and saw A. H. Stevens' and Bishop Pierce's names to testimonials. I then obtained some of the Regulator, and can heartily recommend the Liver Regulator to my friends as an excellent medicine."

Z. E. HARRISON, M. D.,
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MARRIAGE LICENSES ISSUED.

The following marriage licenses were issued by the Clerk of the Orphans' Court for the week ending Wednesday, January 14th 1887.

David Gastlow, Johnstown and Margaret Allie Richey, Blue Knob, Bedford county, Pa.

Levi Blair Weakland and Mary J. Bohm, Johnstown.

Andrew Dirsch Conemaugh borough and Lizzie Hershberger, Franklin borough.

Thomas W. Burns and Katie Mills, Gallitzin borough.

John Kosofzig and Mary Saroizky, Cambria borough.

Michael J. Litzsinger, Allegheny township and Lida E. Haller, Rome City, Indiana county, Pa.

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The best salve in the world for Cuts Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains Corns and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale By E. James.

A West Ward Ghost.

A few nights ago the residents of a certain house in this place were startled by a noise on the cellar stairs which sounded like some one walking around with one natural and one artificial leg. The three individuals domiciled in the house, being ladies, made the night all the more terrifying.

It was near midnight when the lady of the house got up to stir a fire and above the din and clatter made by the poker she heard her thump, her thump, her thump coming up at the cellar stairs, a man with a wooden leg and no mistake. On the top platform he, or it, stopped and all was still. Almost stunned with fear she stood for a moment and listened and then with up-lifted poker aroused her companion who had been soundly sleeping through it all, unconscious of the ghostly visitation or night marauder in the house. After a brief explanation and consultation the two set out to search the house. Each with a lamp in hand and one with a poker and the other a hatchet they cautiously examined every nook and corner in the house, but no trace of the person or thing could be found. They wakened the third person and asked her if she had been up walking around but she replied in the negative. The two went back to their room satisfied that no person had made the noise and it must have been some one walking outside on the icy pavement which, in the perfect stillness echoed in the house and was colored somewhat by a combined nervousness and vivid imagination.

They had just concluded that it was nothing to be excited about when her thump, her thump, her thump again resounded through the house, so plainly that there was no denying the reality of the noise or doubt about its location. As soon as they could recover sufficient breath they called the third lady to their rescue, but she had not gotten into the room when the terrifying noise was repeated as before, but this time seemingly coming much nearer and something louder.

Armed with poker, hatchet and monkey-wrench the three bravely marched forth determined to conquer or die. If it were a living man they would quarter him with the hatchet, bayonet him with the poker and twist every joint in his body out of shape with the monkey wrench but that his tantalizing and horrifying limpy-go-fetch-it noise should be stopped. This time they made a thorough search and still found nothing and they then concluded it was not a human being and wondered if might be such things as ghosts.

Mystified and chagrined they retreated to their room and listened. Horrors! Louder than ever the wooden legged something made its approach, this time almost coming to their room door, then it seemed to retreat more quietly and as it returned now now was coming and going at short intervals, sometimes stamping very heavily and again walking more softly. Had Mickey Smith not escaped the gallows the noise might have been attributed to a revisitation of his restless spirit. But none of the three believed in ghosts; hobgoblins or any other airy, noisy nothings and consequently they thought it could hardly be a ghost. "But what is it?" It is something, we are all wide awake and we all three hear the same noise at the same time and it sounds the same to each of us and therefore it must be something, natural or supernatural, for it is not possible for us all to be deceived. One of us alone might labor under some hallucination of mind and be deceived, but for all three to be deceived at the same time and in the same way would be out of the question."

Thus they reasoned and then each one pinched herself to be sure she was alive, after which they resolved on another exploring expedition, for the ker thump, ker thump, ker thump continued at regular intervals and the mingled fear and suspense was becoming unbearable.

Re clinching their weapons they cautiously and softly tip toed their way towards the top of the cellar stairs determined to come on the ghost, or whatever it was, so quick that they would paralyze him on the spot. There, in breathless suspense wended their way towards the objective point and listened. They heard him. Quietly and quickly they opened the door—nothing was there. Open mouth, ears pressed, they gazed upon each other in silent amazement. A paper sack in which potatoes had been put that day stood on the platform a couple of feet from the top stair; a big hole had been eaten in the sack by the big Norway rat that had been seen on previous occasions, nearly all the potatoes were gone; one large potato lay midway between the sack and top stair. Mystery, fear and the ghost vanished. This big rat with its tail wrapped around a potato taking it down the cellar stairs was what produced the ker thump that sounded like a man with a wooden leg walking up stairs.

Low Rates to the Inauguration of Governor Beaver via Pennsylvania Railroad.

Governor James A. Beaver will be inaugurated at Harrisburg, on Tuesday, January 18th, 1887. The ceremonies incident to the occasion will be interesting, embracing a great parade of the National Guard of Pennsylvania, processions of civic and political organizations, and other public demonstrations. The festivities will be continued during the evening, when a grand pyrotechnic display, consisting of a number of beautiful pieces, will be given on an island on the Susquehanna river, just opposite the Governor's Mansion, and the events of the day will conclude with a grand military ball.

In order to accommodate those who desire to attend, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will sell excursion tickets from Philadelphia to Harrisburg and return, at $3.00 to the public, and at $2.50 to organized bodies of fifty or more members. Excursion tickets will also be sold from points on Philadelphia Division west of Philadelphia, from all points on Northern Central Railway between Baltimore and Harrisburg, from all points on the Philadelphia and Erie Division, and from all points on the Pennsylvania Division within the State of Pennsylvania, at one fare for the round trip.—Tickets will be sold on January 17th and 18th, good to return until 19th inclusive.

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Communicated.

GALLITZIN, JAN. 10, 1887.

DEAR FREEMAN.—An alleged correspondence, published in Wednesday's Johnstown *Tribune*, from this place, is so utterly untrue in fact and so malevolent in spirit against Sheriff Gray, that, as a friend, having a personal knowledge of a good portion of the facts and having satisfied myself by reference to others, and to the record, as to the balance, I, with your permission, submit the following:

(COPY)

"BEDFORD, DEC. 29, 1886.

"Come for Aukenbauer and pay costs. Answer if coming.

(Signed) F. P GILCHRIST.

Answered the same day as follows:

"Will be there for Aukenbauer to-morrow.

(Signed) "J. A. GRAY.

In pursuance of the above Sheriff Gray, with Thomas Peach, came to Gallitzin on Wednesday evening to take the train for Bedford, when he, Sheriff Gray, was told by John Smith, policeman, in my presence, that Aukenbauer would be brought to Gallitzin on the train nearly due, and that he (Smith) had all arrangements made to take the prisoner to Ebensburg, but as there was a large crowd at the station and threats of lynching were made, he was glad the Sheriff was there and insisted on the Sheriff taking the warrant and letting him (Smith) out of the trouble. Smith being very excited and nervous when he thus spoke to Gray, the Sheriff finally agreed to do as requested, but first told Smith as he had the arrangements made he should carry them out. This is how the Sheriff "obtained" the warrant from Smith. Aukenbauer not arriving on the train Smith got bold again and asked the Sheriff for the warrant to mark some costs on it when Gray told him to take it and hold it. In pursuance of his purpose the Sheriff got a duplicate warrant from the 'Squire and took the next train for Bedford. This fact leaked through the sieve-like portfolio of the Ministers of Justice of this place, and at the suggestion of the "genial landlord" the redoubtable descendant of the hero of early Virginia, whose life was saved by the daughter of Powhatan, thought it "would be worth fifty dollars to travel all night and head the Sheriff." It was the denial of anything to do with the matter on the part of the landlord that gave rise to the bet which the Sheriff offered, but which the genial gentleman declined when Tom Burns offered to take it. The bet being afterwards withdrawn at the suggestion and through the influence of outsiders and not by Gray as the correspondent stated. The man who wrote that did not know Sheriff Gray, or he never would have said it. Tom Burns is a gentleman whose word is ever reliable, and I refer any person to him. However, in this connection the inquisitive "genial" remarked that had the Sheriff only informed any person at Gallitzin as to what he was doing they would not have done as they did. The Sheriff simply replied that he didn't run about telling his business to all the old women in the county.

When Smith got to Bedford Sheriff Diehl refused to trust him with the prisoner, telling him he, the Sheriff, did not know but Smith might be a friend of the prisoner, etc., when Smith, with a flourish, offered to give a $10 000 bond that he would deliver the prisoner to jail. Sheriff Diehl agreed to accept the offer and Smith requested him to go to the telegraph office, when the Sheriff told him it was not customary to take large bonds by telegraph in that section. For proof of this I refer to the Sheriff of Bedford. The Sheriff then sent a deputy, Icholds, with the prisoner, and when Smith proposed taking the sled the deputy told him (Smith) he could go in the sled but the prisoner would go with him, Icholds, in the train.

The *Tribune* informant says the prisoner was safely landed, etc. So he was, by the Dep. Sheriff, but *not* by policeman Smith.

As to waiting to return with Platt, the fact is Frank said to Gray it was a lonsome drive by himself and the Sheriff proposed if he could make pretty good time to come back with him, Platt. But the latter said his team was fagged and needed rest, and even then he could drive only moderately, so the Sheriff declined riding so long ta the cold and took the train. So much for the imaginary refusal of Mr. Platt to carry the Sheriff and Dep. Peach to Gallitzin.

Next, says this correspondent, "they," (Gray and Peach,) "had telegranhed to O'Hara Bros., Ebensburg livery men, to have a sled at Gallitzin for them and the prisoner." Yet in the same paragraph the writer says, "Gray and Peach were beside themselves with rage when they found the prisoner gone." Mark the contradiction. Gray was enraged when he found the prisoner gone, yet he telegraphed for a conveyance to take the prisoner to Ebensburg. Surely that writer, or Tom Swank when he fixed up the letter, must have been "beside himself" with something when he got so badly mixed. But the saying runs, "the oldest liar will catch himself if you only give him rope enough."

Then "the mob of listeners came near attacking the Sheriff." What mob? The "genial landlord's" immediate backers, or is there a standing, ever-ready-to-hand mob for all emergencies in our village? Doubtless it was the same mob Smith was so nervous about when he asked Gray to take the warrant.

"Circumvent the Sheriff," is well applied to Smith in this transaction, as it means to cheat, to deceive, etc." See Webster.

But the sore place, and I must close, is the fact that the amateur Pinkertons receive no pay for their trouble; the Dep. Sheriff who brought Aukenbauer alone being paid, and for this they blame Sheriff Gray—and perhaps justly.

If the *glory* to the valiant Smith and the "genial landlord" is not sufficient remuneration they might consider the philosophy of the Ides,

"Smaller boats should keep near shore,
But larger ones may venture more."

JUSTICE

Obituary.

MULVEHILL.—Died at his home in Ebensburg on Monday, January 10, 1887, Mr. Francis Mulvehill, aged 77 years, 9 months and 23 days.

The diseased was born in Ireland on the 17th day of March, 1809 and came to this country when a young man, settling in Indiana county, in the neighborhood of Cameron's Bottom, where he became a well-to-do farmer. About ten years ago he sold his farm and moved to Ebensburg where he continued to reside up to the time of his death. He was married twice but had no children. He leaves to survive him a widow to whom he was married about eight years ago. Peace to his ashes.

For all kinds of canned goods go to the Sugar Bowl.

Educational.

Program for Local Institute to be held in Chest Springs, Jan. 15 1887 at 1 o'clock P. M.:

Methods of Teaching History—Sue Conrad.

How to Prevent Whispering in School—Eva Durbin.

How to Secure Best Results in Writing Classes—Libbie Adams.

Discussion on Hygiene—Mary Durbin.

Conducting Classes in Geography—Lucy Bender.

Teaching Grammar to Advanced Classes. W. J. Cramer.

Program for Reade township District Institute to be held at Mountain Dale, in High School Room, on Saturday, Feb. 5, 1887, at 10 o'clock, A. M.:

Duties of Pupils—H. Ale.

Best Methods of Primary Spelling—Miss H. Hughes.

Methods of Teaching Grammar—Geo. W. Williams.

Reading Pupils—Mrs. T. C. West.

Best Text Books—Co. Supt. L. Strayer.

Talks on Education—J. W. Leech.

Decisive Battles of the World—J. C. Mc-Reaters.

Debate—Question: Resolved, That a Compulsory Educational Law would be of benefit to the people of Reade township.

Authors: A. Cornelius, Jno. Peterson, Esq. Davy, D. E. Hollen, Jno. A. McCartney.

"Reade Township Siftings"—M. C. Fahler, Editor.

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AUDITOR'S NOTICE.—The undersigned having been appointed auditor to hear and decide upon the exceptions filed to the second and final account of Jacob J. Weaver, Administrator of Jacob Weaver, dec'd, and report distribution of the fund in the hands of said accountant, hereby gives notice that he will sit for the purpose of attending to the duties of his appointment at his office in Ebensburg, Pa., on Monday, Feb. 14, 1887, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, when and where all persons having claims on the said fund must present them or be forever debarred from coming to the same.

A. V. BARKER, Auditor.

Ebensburg, Jan. 14, 1887-3t

AUDITOR'S NOTICE.—The undersigned auditor, appointed by the Orphans' Court to ascertain and liquidate the liens against the lands of Thomas Peach, dec'd, and other matter in interest, and distribute fund in hands of John W. Braucon trustee to sell the real estate of said dec'd, as shown by his account hereby gives notice that he will sit at his office in the borough of Ebensburg, Pa., on Friday, February 11, 1887, at ten o'clock, A. M., for the purpose of attending to the duties of his appointment, at which time and place all persons interested shall attend, or be forever debarred from coming to or said fund.

ALVIN EVANS, Auditor.

Ebensburg, Pa., Jan. 8, 1887.

AUDITOR'S NOTICE.—Having been appointed an Auditor to distribute the funds in the hands of Samuel Oliara, executor of Hugh Hall, deceased, as shown by his first and final account, notice is hereby given that I will sit at my office in Ebensburg, Pa., on Friday, the 4th day of February, 1887, at ten o'clock A. M., to attend to the duties of said appointment, at which time and place all claims on said account not presented or be forever debarred from coming for a share of the fund.

M. D. KITTELL, Auditor.

Ebensburg, Pa., Jan. 7, 1887-3t

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STRAYED away from the subscribers residing at Gallitzin, Pa., about two months ago one red and white spotted two-year-old steer with left horn bent down and one red and white two-year-old heifer. Any information of their whereabouts will be thankfully received by the undersigned.

ANSTEAD & DASHNER.

Gallitzin, Pa., Dec 17, 1886. 3t.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE. Letters of administration on the estate of Peter Maloy, Sr., late of Barr township, Cambria county, deceased, having been granted to the undersigned, all persons indebted to said estate are hereby notified to make payment without delay, and all those having claims against the same will present them, properly authenticated for settlement to

MICHAEL DOWNY, Adm'r of Peter Maloy, dec'd.

Barr twp., Dec. 17th, 1886.-6t.

NOTICE is hereby given that the annual election of Directors of Protection Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Cambria county will be held at the office of the Secretary, in Ebensburg, on Monday, January 10, A. D. 1887, between the hours of 10, a. m. and 2 p. m.

T. W. DICK, Secretary.

Dec. 17, 1886.-3t

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STRAY SHEEP.—Came to the residence of the subscriber in Blacklick township on or about the 1st of September last four sheep. The owner is requested to come forward, prove property, pay charges and take them away otherwise they will be disposed of according to law.

THOMAS L. EDWARDS.

Dec 3, 1886

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STRAYS.—Came to the premises of the subscriber, in Chest township, on or about October 10, 1886, a white steer, two years old, with a notch in each ear, and a red steer of the same time, a red and white spotted heifer, two years old, no marks visible. The owners are requested to come forward and prove property, pay charges and take them away otherwise they will be disposed of according to law.

CHAS. RHODY.

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Dr. S. C. Dunn recommends the application of castor oil to warts once a day. The application must be continued for from two to six months.

There is nothing better for the manure heap than soapsuds. It prevents fire-fanging, arrests the escape of volatile matter, and hastens chemical changes and decomposition.

There is no better plan for freeing rooms and cellars of mildew than to burn sulphur in them. The rooms should be effectually closed and not opened for one hour after being filled with the sulphur fumes.

The object of grooming should not be solely to brush the dirt from the surface of the horse's coat and make a temporary improvement in the appearance, but to cleanse the skin as well as the hair of all dust and dirt that may be adhering to it.

Waffles: Take half a pint of milk, a tablespoonful of butter, (melt before adding to the other ingredients) one teaspoonful of baking powder, a little salt, as a matter of course, and enough flour to make a batter stiffer than for griddle cakes. These waffles come from the iron crisp and are delicious.

For billiousness a plain diet of bread milk, oatmeal, vegetables and fruit, with lean meat and fresh fish, is best. Exercise in the open air. The victim of an acute attack will be righted by (1) abstinence; (2) porridge and milk; (3) toast, a little meat and fish and ripe fruit, thus coming to a solid food gradually.

Remember that one horse may be able to stand the extreme heat better than the other in your team, and this being the case there is danger of injuring or killing the one, while the other may not be doing all it is capable of doing. A well mated team means mated as regards strength and endurance rather than size and color.

Meat for the consumption of a small family can be smoked by suspending the hams from bars laid across a large barrel open at both ends, set over a smouldering fire. Corn cobs make a good smoke, and bay leaves and juniper berries burned with them give the meat a slightly aromatic flavor. Cover the barrel while the smoking is going on.

The following liniment is recommended for earache: Camphorated chloral, 2 parts; pure glycerine, 10½ parts and oil of sweet almonds, 10 parts. This is to be well mixed and preserved in an hermetically sealed bottle. Applications may be made by means of a pledget of soft cotton soaked in the liniment and put in the ear twice a day.

Raw and boiled sweet potatoes are treated in this manner: Cut the raw potatoes in thin slices, brush melted butter over them and also over the wire broiler to prevent their sticking to it; broil them a dark brown; boiled sweet potatoes need to be but slightly broiled, just enough to warm through and at the same time show the marks of the broiler.

Water cannot satisfy the thirst which attends cholera, dysentery, diarrhea, and some other forms of disease; in fact drinking cold water seems to increase the thirst and induce other disagreeable sensations but the thirst will be perfectly and pleasantly subdued by eating a comparatively small amount of ice, swallowing it in as large pieces as practicable and as much as is wanted.

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Ginger Snaps: Beat a cupful of butter in a warm bowl until it becomes soft and creamy; then gradually beat into it a cupful of sugar, a cupful of molasses and a tablespoonful of ginger. Dissolve a teaspoonful of soda in half a gill of cold water and stir into the mixture already prepared. Gradually add three pints of flour, beating well all the while; then roll the batter very thin, cut out the cakes and bake in a quick oven.

M. Ginjeot states that of all measures applied locally to boils the best results are obtained from tincture of iodine. He paints the boil with a thick coating and sometimes a single application is sufficient to cause the inflamation to subside; it is better, however, to make the application several times a day for several days. He does not recommend the early opening of boils, but if evacuation of pus be necessary antiseptics should be used.

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Potato Yeast: In two quarts of water boil six potatoes, a handful of hops in a bag, and a half teacupful of salt. When the potatoes are done mash fine and add to the liquid a teacupful of sugar, a teaspoonful of ginger, and when milk warm add a teacupful of yeast; set where it is warm and let it ferment. I use one teacupful of yeast for five loaves, set my sponge at night and add three potatoes. If you wish for more potatoes and not so much hops, take mashed potatoes and add water to make it the consistency of common yeast, and while warm add one tablespoonful of sugar and two of yeast, keep warm and let ferment, when it is fit for use.

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Dunham and Garvey laughed heartily at the mule's peculiar conduct, for he had always been a very docile animal, and ran down to the team at once. In the meantime the bear had recovered from the kick and got on his feet again, and was looking around to see where he was and what had hit him. The mute turned his head and caught a glimpse of the bear just as Garvey and Dunham came down to the sleigh. The sight seemed to enrage the mule, for he became restless. He reared up, plunged forward and tried to yank himself away from his mate. Every motion indicated that he wanted to be let loose on the bear.

"Say we onharness him and let him fight the bear if he wants to," remarked Garvey.

"All right," said Dunham, "we'll do it."

Dunham then stepped to the mule's head and unsnapped the lines. In another second the hame strap and the belly-band were unbuckled, and the mule slipped from under the harness with nothing on except the headstall and collar. Then the mule turned straight around and made for the bear with all his might. He lunged forward with so much force and speed that he went right over the bear's back before he stopped. The bear did not attempt to get away, but stood upon his haunches and was ready to fight as soon as the mule turned upon him.

The mule struck at the bear savagely with both forward feet, but the bear dodged and thus escaped the blow. Then the bear rushed at the mule, uttering grunts of anger as he did so, and tried to strike him in the breast. The mule, however, showed more anger and pluck than the bear did, and as the latter came toward him, he struck the bear on the shoulder with one of his sharp calks, and the bear, groaning with pain from the blow, backed away. The mule quickly followed up the advantage he had gained. And the bear tumbled backward over a log, making the snow fly. The mule leaped over the log and struck the bear on the back with both forefeet before he had time to get up, but he paid dearly for it, for the bear twisted his head around and got the mule's foreleg between his jaws and bit it badly.

Dunham and Garvey, who had the utmost confidence in the mule's ability to conquer the bear, kept at a safe distance and watched the fight closely. While the bear was trying to crush the bone in the mule's leg the mule bit the bear's ear and made the blood run. A moment later the mule succeeded in yanking his leg from the bear's jaws, pranced around in the snow after he had done so and appeared to be madder than ever. Then the two infuriated animals came together again. As the mule raised his foot to strike, the bear sprang under his body, knocked his hind legs from under him, and tumbled him over on his side. The mule scrambled to his feet in a second, rushed up to the bear, and gave him such a tremendous thump on the nose, that it made the bear stagger and roar. He was not ready to retire from the conflict, though, and as he made another effort to strike the mule and the blood spurted from his nose. The bear again attacked the mule, which kicked him in the jaw and laid him out.

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The Spider's Melting.

When a spider is preparing to molt it stops eating for several days and fastens itself by a short line of web of the main lines of its snare which holds it firmly and solidly while the spider proceeds to undress. The skin cracks all around the thorax and is held only by the frontage. Next the abdomen is uncovered. Now comes the struggle to unfree the legs; it works and kicks vigorously, and seems to have very hard work. But continued perseverance of about fifteen minutes brings it out of the old dress, and it seems almost lifeless, and is limp and helpless for several minutes, but gradually comes back to life and looks better and prettier than before. To young people, and even to little children it is an operation of extreme interest. My little nephew watched the molting of a nearly full grown pet spider, and ran to his mother saying: "Mamma, my spider undresseu and hung his dress on a line."

A Funny Duel.

"We had," said one of the crowd "one of the funniest duels I ever saw at college. It was a put-up job, of course. The pistols were not loaded with ball, but the duelists did not know that. They stood up like men, apparently, but one of them got so nervous he fired before the word was given. That placed him at the mercy of his opponent, who was a poor creature, but rather shrewd. As soon as the pistol went off the individual who fired it got utterly scared. The other stood calm and proceeded to take aim.

"'Don't shoot!' yelled the victim.

"'My turn isn't it?' asked the other, and he coolly turned to his seconds.

"'Of course it is; go ahead.'

"And he again covered his man.

"'Hold on! Hold on! I'll give you £50 if you won't shoot!"

"'Tain't enough!'

"'How much will you take?'

"'A £100 note.'

"'I'll give it. Put that ghastly piece down.'

"And he paid his £100."

Sugar Trees.

Some trees are valuable, not only for their timber, but will yield an income while growing. The sugar maple is one of these. This tree is widely distributed over the country, and is especially at home throughout a large part of the northern half of our territory. Its timber ranks very high for both fuel and lumber. The sap taken from it during the brief season of sugar making makes no perceptible reduction in its vitality or check in its growth, and the cost of the sugar or syrup made from it is small. The necessary fuel is supplied by fallen limbs, or limbs which should be cut off, and the work comes at a season when very little else can be done on a farm. There is no expense for planting or cultivation. Expensive appliances are not required, and the work can all be done at home. Maple sugar or syrup known to be pure always finds a ready sale at a good price. Considering the readiness with which it grows and the value of its wood, the sugar maple should stand very near the head of the list of trees to be grown, even though it gave no income while growing.

Reading For Farmers' Boys.

The character of a person is developed largely by his reading, if he read at all. If he has an aptitude in any special direction, quite naturally his reading will be of the kind most suited to his natural bent of mind. Every parent should study the characteristics of his children, and help them to such reading as will most practically assist them in the development of their capabilities. The farmer should put before such of his boys as are inclined to work on the farm, good agricultural papers—not those with theories which he knows to be impracticable, but common-sense papers which are edited from a practical standpoint and are for practical men. The boys who read such a paper will become interested in it because it treats of the work and the daily life going on about him—the work and the life he knows most about. Whenever he reads new methods of doing things he will compare them with the method with which he is familiar, and the best one he will follow, be it the old or the new. The paper will sow seed for thought in his mind, and what a boy needs is to be set to thinking. He does not require to have his ideas thought out for him by somebody else, if you encourage him to be his own thinker. A good paper, which deals with problems most familiar to him is the best stimulus for thought.

Various Colors In Milk.

The characteristic white color of milk has been attributed to different causes. The *National Live Stock Journal* claims that it is due to casine in the milk. But milk is not generally of a pure white color. It varies in respect to shades as it does in richness by breed and feed, the latter sometimes giving different and very decided hues. As affected by breed the Guernseys give it the deepest yellow. Their milk like their butter, is sometimes so deeply tinged as to approximate an orange red. The Jerseys, the Brittannys, the Kerrys and the Devons all give milk of a high color, while the Dutch Ayreshires and the Shorthorns turn out a paler product when all are living on a similar food. The cause of this difference is not easy to explain in a positive way.

It is a matter of common observation among dairy men that the yellow color in the flower of the yellow daisy and of dandelion when in full blossom is carried directly into the milk and gives intensity to its yellow shade and to the butter made from it. Carrots are well known to act in the same way and are often employed in the same way. The juices of other plants which have a decided color of any shade are liable to, and do, occasionally carry their peculiar tints into milk and into other animal products. Thus the coloring matter in the madder, turmeric, annatto and other vegetable substances containing strongly colored juices make their impression upon milk and other secretions.

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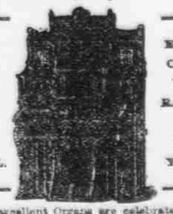

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